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Lake groups form coalition

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

There is strength in numbers. This is what a number of local property owners' associations are hoping as they join together to form a sort of countywide super-board, tentatively titled the Coalition of Haliburton Lake Associations.

Representatives from 17 of the county's 23 lake associations made their way to the Stanhope Fire Hall for the inaugural meeting of the coalition on November 8.

Although the event was closed to the media, Paul MacInnes, president of the Cameron, Maple and Beech Lake Areas Property Owners' Association, said most of the meeting was spent discussing what the mandate of the new group would be and coming up with an accurate mission statement.

MacInnes said that he and others have been charged with finalizing the statement and that there still is some wordsmithing to be completed.

"One purpose that there is wide agreement on is to provide synergy for the associations," he said, adding that this would include pooling resources and information when associations are compiling their respective newsletters.

"It would make sense if we share that information electronically," he said.

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Chad Ingram/TIMES

Two members of the Haliburton Cadet corps stand in silent tribute to the men and women who served in the two world wars, the Korean War and the current war in Afghanistan at Sunday's Remembrance Day service at the cenotaph in downtown Minden. More photos on page 14.

Help Minden become Hockeyville 2009

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

The community services director for Minden Hills is calling on all

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Hunter rescued north of Canarvon

Police say members of the OPP Central Region Emergency Response Team rescued a hunter who got lost in the bush north of Canarvon during a hunting expedition on November 4.

Haliburton Highlands OPP spokesperson Mark McMaster said the man had headed into the bush near the Firehouse Restaurant north of Canarvon at approximately 1:30 p.m.

on November 4.

McMaster said the police were called at about 6 p.m. after the hunter did not return. The man was located in the woods at approximately 3 a.m. and was in good condition, McMaster said. "He was fine," McMaster said, explaining that the hunter seemed calm, had built a fire and had a plan to just "hunker down" for the duration of the night.

Police would like to remind anyone venturing into the bush to let family members know when they plan to return and to always take a survival pack including items such as matches, a flashlight, a compass, granola bars and a cellphone.

Cody Hodgson is on fire

For the week ending November 9 Haliburton native Cody Hodgson was named the OHL Boston Pizza player of the week. After signing an \$875,000 NHL entry-level contract with the Vancouver Canucks, who drafted Hodgson, he was sent back to the Brampton Battalion where he's joined by friend and teammate Matt Duchene.

Last week Hodgson scored five goals, along with four helpers for nine points with a plus-six rating in three games. On November 6 against the Plymouth Whalers, Hodgson scored four goals and in three straight games.

On November 2, 6, and 7 he scored the game-winning goals. During that week the team went 3-0 and is currently on an astounding 11-game winning streak. In 12 games this year the 18-year-old has 12 goals and 22 points. Hodgson, along with Duchene will also play in the upcoming 2008 ADT Canada Russia Challenge on November 20 in Guelph and November 24 in St. Catharines.

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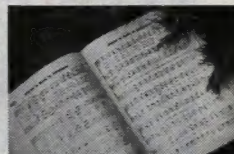
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Craig Riehl stands in front of the men who saved his life when his car went into the Gull River south of Horseshoe Lake. From left, Derek Carpenter, Terry Prentice, Davis Reynolds, Jeff Black and Tom Prentice Jr.



CRAIG RIEHL IS ONE LUCKY MAN

Sitting in the Minden fire hall is 25-year-old Craig Riehl. Around him are five men who can't believe he's alive.

Three months ago, Riehl was rescued from his submerged car on the bottom of the Gull River after he drove off a sharp curve on Horseshoe Lake Road.

Joining Riehl inside the fire hall for a reunion of thanks and share-all are his parents, Kirk and Elaine, and his rescuers: Tom Prentice Jr., his brother Terry, their co-worker Jeff Black and 18-year-olds Davis Reynolds and Derek Carpenter.

"You look a little better than the last time I saw you," says Tom, who pulled Riehl to safety that fateful day on July 14.

July 13, 2008

Craig Riehl is no stranger to Horseshoe Lake Road or the town of Minden. He's driven the road many times, having attended the Haliburton School of the Arts on three separate stints over the last four years.

Most recently he was enrolled in the visual and creative arts program and in early July he arrived in Minden for a week visiting old schoolmates and friends.

Time ticked by and party time had come to an end. At 8:30 on the morning of July 14 he got in his car to go back to his hometown of Stratford where his three o'clock shift at a bearing manufacturer awaited him.

He was southbound on Horseshoe Lake Road on his way to the Gravity House in Minden for breakfast and a coffee. It was quiet but as he reached the sharp bend near Gull River he was startled by something on the road.

"I don't even know what it was," says Riehl. "My initial reaction was to swerve. I tell everybody the weird part about it is that I've hit rabbits, other animals, and never thought twice about [swerving]."

"But this time whatever ran in front of me scared me, and I swerved and tried to re-correct and went right into the water."

Survivor reunites with his rescuers three months after near-death car crash

• Story and photos by Matt James •

He remembers the accident quite clearly; he knew he was going into the river and he remembers undoing his seatbelt before hitting the water. In retrospect he felt it was quick thinking because he'd need to spend the next few moments of his life trying to get out of a submerged car; a seatbelt would have trapped him even more.

Riehl says, "I remember, 'I have to get out, I have to get out.' And I couldn't open the door from the door handle of the driver's seat. It wasn't moving."

Aware of his dire situation he went into survivor mode and started to kick, punch, and elbow anything around him to break free for air.

"I couldn't see anything," he says. "I remember coughing but I didn't take in any water."

He doesn't know how long he tried to fight to get out of the car but he remembers fighting to the point of exhaustion. Suddenly what little energy remained fled from his body and mind.

Fortuitous timing

A couple of kilometres up the road, brothers Terry and Tom Jr. Prentice and Jeff Black were working a job site. Terry, on what he describes as a whim, decided to head into town for worksite supplies.

Driving south he reached a section of road where the river was in full view. There, he noticed the car in the water.

Terry says the only sign of disturbance was the tire tracks

in the gravel shoulder where Riehl's car veered into the water.

There were no ripples on the surface of the water. No dust in the air.

Immediately recognizing something was wrong, he radioed to Tom and Jeff, telling them come down and help. Terry saw no other people, no other cars; he was alone. And chances were that at least one person was in that car.

Bolting out of the truck, Terry ran down the small, steep bank to the river and approached the eerily still car. He then heard a car approaching from the south. Running back up the bank he let out a distress call.

"We came around the corner and heard Terry yell help," says Davis Reynolds, who was in a car following his friend.

Recognizing the boys as locals, Terry felt a little relief knowing he had some help. Carpenter immediately dialed 911 and the dispatcher kept him on the line to answer any questions as emergency crews were sent to the scene.

"I saw Terry heading down the bank and asked him if there was anyone in [the car]," says Reynolds. "He didn't know and we just tried to get in."

"I reached down and all I was hitting was glass," says Terry. "The doors must have had automatic locks. Things weren't going the way they needed to go."

Thinking fast, they realized their only option to gain access to the car was to flip the car onto its side. So Reynolds and Prentice, with all of their might, did just that.

"All of a sudden we could hear somebody like gulping or [the sound of] someone yelling underwater," says Prentice.

At that point Reynolds started kicking the car's windows and doors to try to reach the desperate person, or persons, trapped inside the car.

When they finally got in, through a broken window, they saw something they would never forget.

There, floating face down in the water, arms above his head, was Craig Riehl.

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Was it luck that kept driver alive?

from page 3

"Grey," says Reynolds describing the colour of Craig's face. "Just a terrible colour. We thought we were pulling a dead guy out."

Reynolds and Carpenter had never experienced anything like this rescue mission. The three others, however, are members of Minden's volunteer fire department. Tom has seen victims of car accidents and fires, but he says there's nothing more horrible than seeing someone who's drowned. While he's only seen one, it is one too many.

"And that's the look that Craig had," says Tom. "He was totally lifeless. I figured it was a recovery."

Echoing Tom's thoughts Terry says, "I don't know how this guy lived. There were no noises from the car until we started moving it."

Terry figures that Craig had already calmed down or had quit fighting inside the car because "the only thing that was going on around the car was the [windshield] wipers."

Time stands still

So how did Craig survive? How long was he underwater before being rescued? What was going through his mind from inside the submerged car? And why does he think he survived?

Some of these questions, and many others, will never be fully answered.

After the accident the five men learned that a local resident, who lives at the top of the hill near the accident site, had been walking his dog that morning. He heard a noise down below and within a window of a couple of minutes, heard what would have been Terry calling Reynolds and Carpenter for help.

Also in that time frame Tom Jr. and Jeff Black had driven down from the worksite 2.5 kilometres up the road.

"By the time Craig was pulled from the car I'll bet you it had to be close to five minutes," says Tom. Almost as soon as Riehl was pulled from the car he began to breathe on his own, though Tom says he was in and out of consciousness.

So what does Riehl think about all of it?

"You get noisy brain syndrome," he says. "My mind was running a mile a minute after the accident and for a good long while after."

He says there is plenty to think about after such an incident, whether he wants to or not. What if the worst had happened? What would happen to everyone else in the family?

"So was I just lucky? Was somebody looking after me? I still haven't come up with any answer and I probably won't," he says.

As a man of the arts Riehl is somewhat spiritual, and while he isn't particular to a specific religion, he is a believer.

He says, "Before the accident I believed in something - a higher power, God, something - and that hasn't really changed. I've always tried to have fun in everything I do, I mean if you're not having fun you're doing something wrong. I've always smelled the roses, but now I'm appreciating the roses."

That day Terry Prentice was driving down the road at just the right time. So were Reynolds and Carpenter. And when those men were at the point of exhaustion from helping in the rescue, the arrival of Tom and Jeff to pull him out was



At the scene of the accident in July, Craig Riehl's backpack and other debris float in the river.

perfect timing.

"Your number just wasn't up as far as I'm concerned," says Tom.

"I agree. Everybody's got a day and that just wasn't yours," says Black.

"That's pretty much the nail on the head," added Riehl. "It just wasn't my time."

Heroes?

Whether his survival was a stroke of luck, an act of God, his own determination or a combination of all of the above, the only certainty in his mind is that if it was not for his rescuers, he would not be here today.

When Riehl discovered that Davis Reynolds and Derek Carpenter were 18, he was struck by the fact that people so young reacted the way they did.

Now, inside the fire hall, Riehl sits face-to-face with the young men wanting to know how they felt during the rescue. *see RIEHL FAMILY page 5*

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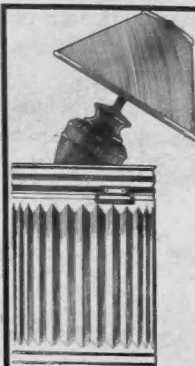


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Riehl family cannot thank five rescuers enough

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cue and how it has affected them.

Both young men quietly sit across the table. Carpenter, the 911-caller, simply shrugs his shoulders as if to say, "Isn't that what someone is supposed to do?"

Reynolds also shrugs his shoulders and says, "I don't know. I just wanted in [the car]. You kind of hope everyone else would do the same for you."

The three volunteer firefighters had plenty to say about the actions of the young men.

"We're not really trained to deal with that [type of emergency]," says Jeff Black. "But in a way we are because we're all on the fire department and that's what we're to do. But Davis and Derek were just two guys driving by and to bail right in and not skip a beat, it was phenomenal the way they worked."

Terry says, "I tell guys when we get a call that we leave here and work as a group of guys, but that day we were individuals. To be the first guy there, I was scared. I was so happy to see these guys show up."

"These two young guys are pretty brave," says Tom. "And they need to be recognized as young guys that stepped up to the plate and became men that day."

Riehl asked if they felt like heroes.

"It's a crappy feeling actually," says Tom.

"Why is that?" asks Craig.

"That afternoon was a write-off for all of us, and probably most of the week, 'cause you're just thinking, 'What if he hadn't

started to breathe?'"

"Nobody felt like a hero that day 'cause everyone was scared," Terry adds.

But everything seemed to work that day.

"It doesn't mean we're heroes," says Tom. "It just means that we're human and that we did what we needed to do to help someone out."

Tom says a person can go into a burning building and bring someone out and they're deemed a hero. But another day you can go into a burning building and come out with no one. But that person still went into the burning building and regardless of the outcome, is a hero.

Endless thanks

Since his survival, life hasn't been all smiles and blue skies for the Riehls.

After the accident Craig started getting chest pain, shortness of breath, sinus pain, and headaches, which three months after the accident are now less frequent.

"It got pretty dark there for a while," says Kirk. "For Craig there was no life for about a month after the accident, not like you see him today. He was really dark. That's the only way I can explain it, really dark."

Of those times Craig says, "I tell a lot of people that [the accident is] something that I won't ever forget, but you want to file it in the back of your brain and keep it there. You don't really want to think about it because then you start thinking about what could have happened."

Craig says he doesn't get nightmares and he doesn't dream of the accident.

"For me, you know, I was within millimetres from that moment [of death]," he says.

Now, because he's survived, he feels like he has to live life to its full potential.

"But what does that really mean?" he asks. "I pretty much died or was close to dying, so do I continue like nothing happened, write up the bucket list and live that?"

It wasn't until mid-August, at a wedding of a relative, that Kirk and Elaine began to see their son become more like his former self. But even then they could see that something in him had changed.

"He was on the dance floor doing his thing," says Kirk. "He always had a deep appreciation for life but now it's more, a much more mature appreciation. He's got a different attitude on life."

His mother adds, "He's always looked at life with a smile."

The Riehls struggle to express how grateful they were. Kirk says, "I'd just like to say thank you. We wanted to meet everyone to express our really deep thank you for being there and doing what you did in the time you did it. I can't say thanks enough. I really, really can't."

"The least we can do is come up and see you guys," says Craig.

"That means a lot," says Tom.

And the men really did appreciate the gesture. Tom says such reunions are rare occurrences – even more rare than their chance meeting the day after the accident on Highway 35.

At around 9 a.m. the day after the accident Craig and Elaine were driving near the IGA on Hwy. 35 when they stopped at a red light. Bewildered, Craig looked out his window and saw Tom, Jeff and Terry in their truck.

"That was so weird," says Craig.

With neither party knowing whether to stop, Craig signalled to the men with an emphatic thumbs-up and wave that everything was okay. The men returned the silent gesture and as the light turned green the men made their way back to the worksite.

It is a moment that Craig says he'll never forget.

As the reunion comes to an end, Kirk hands two blank cheques to the rescuers to do as they please. The men agreed on a very modest amount and a donation has been made to the Minden fire department and Haliburton Highlands Health Services

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Safety first, and with good reason

KUDOS TO ALGONQUIN HIGHLANDS COUNCIL for looking out for the safety of the township's citizens.

At a meeting last week, councillors abandoned their plan to install a new steel deck on the bridge on Buckslide Road when it came to their attention that the guardrails on the chosen model have not been crash-tested in accordance with Canadian safety regulations.

Councillors have instead chosen to look into a more expensive concrete model.

While the guardrails on the steel model, manufactured by an American company, have been crash-tested in the States and meet American safety regulations, engineer Matt McDonald of G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc. told councillors last week that the guardrails have not been crash-tested in Canada, where safety regulations are more stringent.

However, McDonald proceeded to say that while they had not been tested, the guardrails were similar to ones that have passed the Canadian test. Also, he informed council that in the last year, four Ontario municipal councils have chosen to use the model in their townships.

While McDonald said he had been pushing the manufacturer to have the guardrails crash-tested in Canada, he said such tests are extremely expensive to conduct.

When Deputy-reeve Tom Gardner asked McDonald if his firm would be willing to provide the township with a letter professing that, in the firm's professional opinion, the guardrails would likely meet Canadian standards, McDonald said he could only say that the rails were similar to some that have met regulations.

This was enough to make all members of council uncomfortable.

"Is that not a red flag?" asked councillor Carol Moffatt, adding there was no reason for the company to have its product crash-tested in Canada if Canadians were still willing to buy it.

Moffatt's colleagues all expressed similar sentiments.

"I think that's a liability I don't want to deal with," said councillor Diane Griffin.

While McDonald said the estimated construction cost for the steel model was \$515,000, councillors instead opted to look into a concrete model with guardrails that have been crash-tested in Canada. Council is planning to affix extra steel rails to the model for increased pedestrian safety, bringing the likely construction cost closer to \$570,000.

By sacrificing frugality for safety and avoiding a possible legal mess for a future council should any sort of incident occur at the bridge, councillors demonstrated not only foresight, but also genuine concern for the safety of the township's residents.

Chad Ingram



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Lest We Forget

Photo by Chad Ingram

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

We live in an imperfect world

To the Editor:

In response to "Bylaw may restrict roaming cats."

Cats and dogs are very different animals and respond as such. The assumption that one can restrict a cat outdoors as one would a dog is erroneous. In a perfect world all cats would live indoors because this is safer for them; some cats are very distressed when forced to spend their lives indoors. Most feral, indoor/outdoor cats stay close to home. The majority of cats who roam

are homeless, abandoned by owners, trying to survive.

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IN OTHER WORDS

Columns and Letters to the Editor

Rise up, rise up...

A FRIEND RECENTLY POINTED OUT that scientists are on the verge of resurrecting extinct creatures. Apparently, they have already used cells from a frozen mouse to clone a brand new mouse – one that has an unnatural fear of refrigerators, I assume. And since they have a frozen woolly mammoth or two in the lab, they're looking upon this as a distinct possibility too.

You know what this means don't you? If we can bring back woolly mammoths, then we can bring back tube tops too.

Could anything be more wonderful? I mean, as a father, I have showed my son historical footage of tube tops. And I have even told him the fascinating tales about the era in which they flourished – the 1970s.

But to be able to bring this history to life again? Well, that would be our finest scientific achievement to date.

No one is sure what killed off the tube top, some suggest overcrowding. At one time, herds of them roamed the landscape. It wasn't uncommon to see them

in urban areas, along country roads and bouncing joyfully across lawns and parks. These gentle creatures coexisted symbiotically with white painter paints and clogs too, providing an example we could all learn from. And their numbers were such that we thought we'd never lose them. How wrong we were!

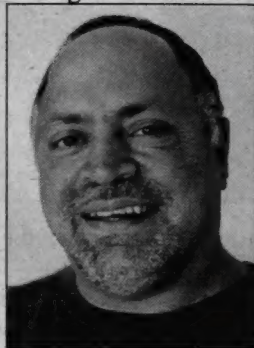
I was relatively young, but as far as I can remember, they were migratory. With the first onset of cold weather, they would disappear to warmer climates and then return again to brighten up our spring. It was a cycle as old as time itself.

And then, one year, I believe it was 1975, the population plummeted.

Those of us who cared deeply, tried to research why, but they were just too elusive. Try as we might, we just couldn't get our hands on one to radio-collar. You'd see them here and there through-

out that summer, but in nowhere near the numbers of previous years.

Sadly, the next spring, they never returned.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

It was an environmental disaster that I personally have never recovered from.

Oh sure, the world chugs along without these colourful creatures. But those of us who remember know that we have lost something very special. Now you can only see their beauty and grace in museums or old movies with

Chimpanzees and 18-wheelers.

Between you and me, I dread the day when my grandson

finally asks, "Grandpa, who killed off the tube tops?"

The answer, of course, is all of us. There are no innocents here. Each of us created the environmental conditions conducive to their demise.

But now that scientists are on the verge of these great breakthroughs, I am once again filled with hope. Could it be that first we perfect resurrection on the woolly mammoth and then direct that considerable scientific know-how straight to the tube top?

A man can only hope.

But if I am to dream, this is the one that I choose. For it would do my heart good to see those stretchy, colourful, clingy creatures roaming wild and free across the landscape once more. To see them return in great numbers in the springtime would bring untold joy to my heart – and perhaps speed it up a bit.

To be certain, there are a few bugs to work out. But I have great faith in modern science. Heck, if they can bring back the woolly mammoth, getting a tube top on one should be easy by comparison.

*I can be reached at
TheOutdoorLife@aol.com*

The theocracy of the market place

MY PROBLEM IS, I've never understood economics or high finance," says Young Robichaux.

"As it turns out, neither have the economists or the financiers," says Old Delahanty. "Or anybody in Washington or Ottawa, for that matter."

"Well, I never understood it and I never will," says the young fellow. "I always figured it was just a game made up by somebody else and they just changed the rules whenever it suited them."

"Like General Motors," says Fixx, who is sharing a table and a platter of buttermilk tarts with the two of them in the tearoom of the Sapsucker Arms.

The Brown Dog Jiggs drifts over from his warming place beside the unlit fireplace to share in their morning repast. The tarts disappoint him; men talking with their mouths full of gooseberry scones spew far more pastry per syllable.

"Like every corporation," Fixx amends. "When they make a profit, they believe in free enterprise. When they're about to go broke, suddenly they believe in government intervention."

"And if they don't get it, and they all go down the tubes, so, too, do we," says

Delahanty, who is fretting about the pension that lets him idle his days away in his winterized cottage on Horned Grebe Lake.

Fixx is taking a week off from Queen's Park, where he has been doing favours for politicians since a moment after time began. Hard times are good times for him; the very thought of infrastructure repairs makes his heart go pit-a-pat.

Robicheaux, who lives on the other side of Horned Grebe, so deep in the woods that even the taxman can't find him, lives pretty much outside the economy. On what, nobody knows.

He spotted Delahanty's pickup outside the Sapsucker Arms and staggered in with an armload of library books by John Kenneth Galbraith, looking for a ride back to the government dock on Horned Grebe.

"I took a survey course on economics in university," he says. "I memorized all the formulas and definitions and got top

marks without having the faintest idea what it was about.

"For example, I thought the textbook said that the purpose of the stock market was to raise capital for new enterprises. Now it seems more like a kind of crap game that other people play with our lives."

"That must have been a very old textbook," says Fixx. "Issuing new shares is not much more than dropping the puck at the start of a hockey game."

"And the dividends, if there are any, are like the glass of water that comes with your menu," says the waitress Gretchen, who has just arrived with tumblers of rhubarb cordial for everybody but Jiggs.

"Before the crash, the ratio between dividends and stock prices never made sense to me. The real money was in speculation, which some religions used to regard as a sin."

"Actually, the real money was in being a CEO," says Fixx. "Especially if you ran

your company into the ground. Your buy-out would have bought smallpox vaccine for every little kid in the world."

Delahanty scoops another butternut tart. "The problem is the theocracy of the market place, the faith in profit as the only purpose in life. Short-term profit trumps long-term investment every time."

"I read somewhere recently that in the 1950s, most top executives spent a lifetime rising to the top of the corporations they managed. Their job was almost like a public trust. Now, CEOs are like hired guns and only the stockholders count."

Young Robichaux frowns. "What I never understood was how you could keep a country going where all the things you need are made somewhere else."

"Wall Street - Bay Street, too - got fat exporting jobs to the Third World. But what happens when there's nobody left at home who can afford to buy what they have to sell? Or when we realize we don't need it?"

Fixx grins. "I think we'll soon have the answers to those questions."

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BACK OF BEYOND

Neil Campbell



Supporting trap-neuter-return program is answer

from page 6

their owners" mentality.

Minden Hills is not unique with these complaints but countless other communities across North America have put such complaints to rest. When communities adopt (as Minden Hills has) a trap-neuter-return (TNR) program that is supported by residents (which has yet to happen in

Minden Hills) nuisance complaints such as these are reduced quickly and in significant numbers. Creating another unenforceable bylaw will result in increased municipal expenses with negative results and deteriorating community relations.

A "one-by-law-fits-all" mentality is a waste of time and money. The suggested bylaw will be ineffective and difficult to enforce thereby negating much of the

progressive action that is starting to take place as a TNR program is introduced in Minden Hills, with financial backing from two respected organizations in the United States. They are watching to see how your community demonstrates positive and progressive change.

Nothing good for Minden Hills will come out of this uninformed, simplistic notion of "punish the cats and owners,"

many of whom are responsible pet caretakers. Encouraging community commitment to positive and well-researched practices will benefit Minden Hills at a time when every community needs tourist dollars.

Mary Shepherd
London, Ont.

Council chooses more expensive but safer bridge option

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands council has scrapped its plans to outfit the Buckslide bridge with a new steel deck after safety concerns pertaining to the model's guardrails were brought up at a November 6 meeting.

Councillors have decided to go with a concrete model instead.

Councillors had requested more information on the steel model from Matt McDonald of G.D. Jewell Engineering Inc. at the October 30 council meeting, but during McDonald's presentation to councillors last week, it was revealed the model's guardrails had not been crash-tested in accordance with Canadian safety regulations.

While McDonald said the model, manufactured by an American company, had been crash-tested in the U.S. and meets American safety standards, he said the model had not been tested in Canada, where safety regulations are more stringent.

McDonald said he had been trying to convince the manufacturer to have the model crash-tested in Canada, but noted that conducting such analysis is very expensive.

However, McDonald said that the model is similar to ones that have passed guardrail crash-tests in Canada and informed councillors that he knew of four Ontario

Chad Ingram/TIMES



municipalities that had installed the exact same model for some their bridges in the past year.

"We're confident that we can provide something that's adequate," he said. "I guess it comes down to risk management. Other municipalities have taken the chance."

The realization that the guardrails had not been tested according to Canadian safety regulations, however, seemed to make all members of council uneasy.

"Is this not a red flag?" asked Councillor Carol Moffatt, adding that the idea of knowing a product did not meet Canadian safety regulations and installing it anyway concerned her.

Deputy-reeve Tom Gardner asked McDonald if his firm would provide a letter to the township, stating that in its expert opinion

the bridge would meet the standards should it be tested.

McDonald responded that he could only give his opinion that the model was similar to ones that have passed Canadian crash-tests.

"I think it would be foolish to hold your breath and hope [nothing bad happens]," said Moffatt, adding that while the area is low-speed, there would still be liability for the township should some sort of incident occur at the bridge.

Other councillors expressed a similar sentiment.

"I don't think that's liability I want to deal with," said Councillor Diane Griffin.

"Safety is always an issue with council," added Reeve Eleanor Harrison.

The township's chief administrative officer, Lorne Mitchell, noted that if any sort of incident were to

occur at the bridge, that council or a future council could find itself in some legal hot water.

"A good lawyer will chew holes in anything we do if there's an issue," Mitchell said.

The township's public works superintendent, Brian Whetstone, agreed that the steel model could come with "an inherent liability."

Councillors decided to abandon the steel model and have instead requested more information on a concrete model, with guardrails that have been crash-tested in accordance with Canadian safety regulations. With extra steel rails attached for pedestrian safety, McDonald said the construction cost for the model is an estimated \$555,000.

McDonald said the estimated construction cost for the steel model is \$515,000, several thou-

sand dollars cheaper than his original estimate in October.

Because the bridge is attached to the wing wall of a dam that controls water flow between Kushog and Boskung lakes, the municipality may have to temporarily remove the bridge's deck if the Ministry of Natural Resources needs to do work on the dam.

If this should occur, McDonald said the municipality could expect to pay several thousand dollars for the removal and replacement of the concrete deck.

A popular attribute of the steel model among councillors was how easily it could be removed in such a circumstance.

McDonald said that construction on the bridge's new deck would likely take 10 to 12 weeks and also include 500 hours worth of supervision fees. While McDonald was looking at July 15 as a possible start date, councillors agreed it would be better to have construction occur in the spring or fall, to avoid aggravating the area's tourists. McDonald will be returning to council with more information on the concrete option.

The bridge, located on Buckslide Road west of Halls Lake, has been reduced to a single lane since January, 2008, as a result of its crumbling driving surface.

McDonald has said the life expectancy on the new bridge would be at least 75 years.

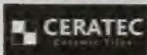
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(NOTE DATE AND LOCATION)

HEARING DATE: TUES., NOVEMBER 25, 2008
TIME: 2:30 p.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: S. G. NESBITT MEMORIAL CENTRE
ANSON ROOM #3
55 Parkside Crescent
Minden, Ontario.

In the matter of Section 45 of the Planning Act, R.S.O. 1990, Chpt. P. 13, as amended and in the matter of Zoning By-law No. 06-10 as amended.

File No. MV A25/2008, Part Lot 3, Concession 6, Township of Minden, MOUNTAIN LAKE,

Applicant: Gord and Sharon MATTEER
Purpose: Proposing to demolish an existing boathouse (7' x 20') and rebuild it 12' x 20' with a consistent roof height. A variance is required from Section 4.7.3 to permit the increase in size.

File No. MV A26/2008, Part Lot 8, Concession 10, Township of Lutterworth, DENNA LAKE,

Applicant: Mark and Alice LYNDY
Purpose: Requesting a variance from Section 4.1.6 to approve the existing bunkie which is constructed higher than permitted in the by-law.

File No. MV A28/2008, Part Lot 19, Concession 2, Township of Minden, CANNING LAKE

Applicant: Mark Thompson, Agent for Hugh Dereede
Purpose: Proposing a 2 storey addition to an existing legal non-conforming building in a Shoreline Residential (SR) zone. The addition will be larger than permitted and a variance from Section 4.7.4 is required.

ANY PERSON may attend the public hearing and/or make written comments to the Township of Minden Hills either in support of, or in opposition to the proposed minor variance.

NOTICE OF DECISION - A copy of the decision of the Committee will be sent to the applicant and to each person who appeared in person or by counsel at the public hearing and who has filed with the secretary-treasurer, a written request for notice of the decision.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION regarding this application will be available for public inspection at the Building and Planning Department for the Township of Minden Hills, during normal office hours.

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- Nov. 13 Committee of the Whole, Council Chambers 9AM
- Nov. 27 Council, Council Chambers 9AM
- Nov. 28 Annual Lighting of the Christmas Tree & Moonlight Magic Sale
- Nov. 29 Santa Claus Parade - "A Magical Christmas"
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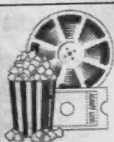
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HEARING DATE: MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2008
TIME: 2:30 p.m.
PLACE AND ADDRESS: Municipal Council Chambers
7 Milne Street, Minden, Ontario.

File No. MV A18/2008, Part Lot 26, Concession 6, Township of Minden, KASHAGAWIGAMOG LK,

Applicant: Craig BUGDEN, Agent for Shirley Bugden
Purpose: Deferred from October 27, 2008 meeting. Applicant is proposing to construct an addition to a legal non-complying building in the Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone that will be larger and higher than permitted. It is also closer to the front lot line than permitted. Variances are required from section 4.7.4 subsections ii), iii) and v).

File No. MV A21/2008, Part Lot 6, Concession 4, Township of Minden, MINDEN LAKE,

Applicant: Ian KINROSS
Purpose: Proposing to construct a dwelling unit and a sleeping cabin on a vacant lot in a Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone. The required rear yard setback is 12m and this dwelling unit will be 8m. The required side yard setback is 4.5m and this dwelling unit will be 3.05m. Variances are required from Section 5.2, Table 2 for reductions of 4m from the rear lot line and 1.45m from the side yard line. Sleeping cabins must comply with the yard and setback requirements of the zone but are not to be located to the front of the principal building. This cabin will be closer to the side yard than permitted as well as to the front of the principal dwelling. Variances are required from Section 5.2, Table 2 for reductions of 8.7m from the front lot line and 2.5m from the side yard.

File No. MV A22/2008, Part of Lot 22, Concession 5, Township of Lutterworth, EAST MOORE LAKE

Applicant: Gord and Nancy BARNES
Purpose: Proposing to replace an existing legal non-conforming cabin with one that is larger, higher and slightly closer to the water than its current location at 9.75m. The property is in a Shoreline Residential (SR) Zone and the building is closer to the front lot line than permitted. Variances are required from Section 4.7.4 ii) to construct .9m closer; iii) to construct .64m higher and v) to construct 55.85% larger than permitted.

File No. MV A23/2008, Part Lot 26, Concession 6, Township of Lutterworth, Green Gables Road,

Applicant: Ian COOK
Purpose: Proposing to construct a garage. According to Section 4.1.3 a) accessory buildings are not permitted in any of the required yards or closer to the street line than the principal building. As per Section 5.2, Table 2 the required front yard in this area in a Shoreline Residential (SR) is 15m. This garage will be closer than permitted and a variance of 8.83m is required.

File No. MV A24/2008, Part of Lot 27, Concession 4, Township of Lutterworth, GULL RIVER

Applicant: Mike GROZELLE, Agent for Ed and Elise Russo
Purpose: Proposing to construct an addition to an existing legal non-complying dwelling that is closer to the front lot line and side yard than permitted. It is also larger than permitted and will require variances from Section 4.7.4 ii) to go 1.10m closer to the front line; v) 21.15% larger than permitted and from Section 5.2, Table 2 to go 1.27m closer to the side yard than permitted.

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Coalition shares common interests

from page 1

cally," MacInnes said. "That way we're not doubling each other."

MacInnes pointed out that the area's lake associations all have lake stewards with various areas of expertise, ranging from loon behaviour to trout spawning. He said sharing these resources would allow all of the associations to become better stewards of the environment.

MacInnes also said that the group is being careful not to duplicate the function of other cottage organizations such as the Federation of Ontario Cottagers' Association and Waterfront Ratepayers After Fair Taxation.

While MacInnes said the objectives of the county's property owners' associations do differ, he said that environmental issues, lake planning and taxation are commonalities that all associations share.

He said there is also discrepancy between associations' membership numbers and the amount of volunteer hours that each can commit.

While MacInnes had hoped last weekend's meeting would be a chance to set the terms of reference for the new coalition and elect its executive, he said it was obvious that some representatives still needed to get permission from the executives of their own lake associations to join the coalition.

Still, MacInnes said those present at the meeting thought the creation of a coalition was a necessary and helpful step.

"It was certainly something that everybody at the table said, 'This is a good idea,'" he said.

MacInnes said the coalition's next meeting would most likely be held in the spring, but that most of its operations would take place via the Internet.

Complaints lead to new dump hours

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Algonquin Highlands will likely be re-vamping the operating hours for all of its landfills in an attempt to appease numerous residents who filed complaints about landfill hours this year.

Brian Whetstone, the township's public works superintendent, said at a November 6 council meeting that township staff logged a total of 138 complaints during the summer.

"And I believe it's safe to say staff received double the recorded amount," Whetstone said.

Some councillors said they had also received complaints.

"We tried to look at what the majority of the complaints were," Whetstone said, adding that bear-wise electric fencing, two-day closures and Sunday night closures at 5 p.m. seemed to top the list.

He also said that the majority of complaints concerned the Hawk Lake and Dorset landfills.

The township received complaints from cottagers in the Hawk and Halls lake areas this summer, reporting that bears who had been barricaded from the landfill were getting into their sheds, garbage cans and composters.

Last week Whetstone had drawn up for councillors a new operating schedule that would have all of the township's five landfills open until 7 p.m. on Sundays during summer months and eliminate two-day closures for most sites.

"There's a landfill somewhere in Algonquin Highlands open every day," he said, referring to the schedule.

However, councillors were hesitant to simply adopt the new schedule.

"If we adopt these [hours], then they're adopted, as far as I'm concerned," said Reeve Eleanor Harrison. "It's expensive to change dump hours."

Harrison pointed out that all the advertising and signage for the township's landfills would have to be changed.

"Once council makes this decision, we will have to stick with it," she said.

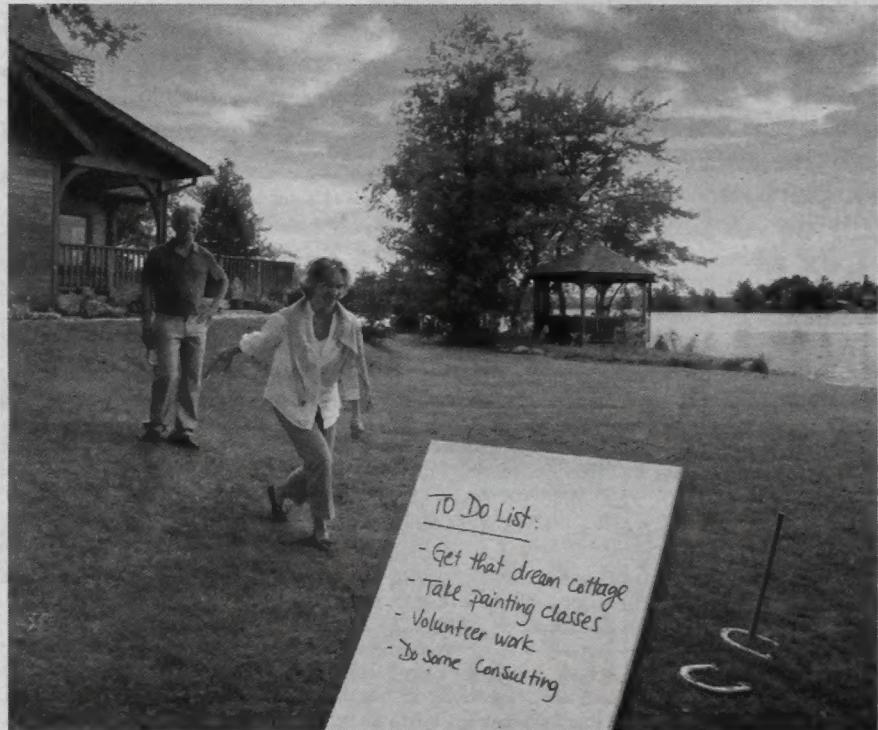
Councillor Diane Griffin suggested perhaps council should be sending copies of the proposed schedule to the area's landowners' associations for feedback.

Whetstone said that residents have indicated that they want the revised hours to be included their tax bill, "in no uncertain terms."

Griffin didn't think the revised hours were "contractor-friendly," pointing out that most landfills are open during the workday.

Deputy-reeve Tom Gardner echoed this sentiment, pointing out that the bulk of the landfills would be closed on Fridays, an important day for contractors to clean up the areas they are working in before clients return to their cottages for the weekend.

While councillors agreed that whatever form the schedule takes it likely wouldn't please everyone, it was agreed that council would take two weeks to review the proposed landfill schedule and make a decision at the next council meeting.



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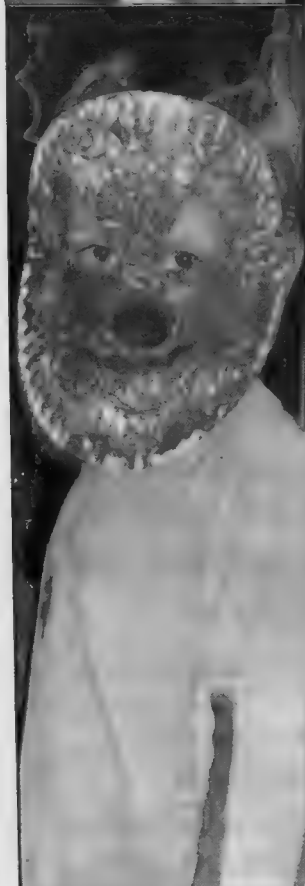
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It takes a community to keep everyone healthy

by MATT JAMES
Times Staff

Health For Life continues to take an active role in promoting healthy living in Haliburton County and is able to do so thanks to a plethora of partners and volunteers who donate their time.

On November 6 at the Minden community centre, members of the Health For Life steering committee held an appreciation and recognition luncheon for those partners and volunteers for all of their hard work.

"You all volunteer so willingly," said Wendy Bateman, Health For Life chairperson.

So far this year approximately 110 community partners and volunteers have participated in Health For Life.

Speaking on behalf of Health For Life co-ordinator Lorna McCleary, who was absent, was Sue Shikaze from the health unit.

"This project is based on community participation.... I'm amazed at the community and what is done with the amount of help received," Shikaze said.

Health For Life helps with eight healthy eating projects in Haliburton County: Basic Shelf, community gardens, the Good Food Box, the Food Network, Eat Smart! at the high school, Food For Kids at local schools and the Eat Smart! restaurant program.

Each project plays an important role in making Haliburton County a healthier place.

During the appreciation luncheon Shikaze highlighted a few programs and how they benefit the community.

As part of the Good Food Box program, 180 boxes of food are delivered on a monthly basis. Cooking programs such as Basic Shelf, help people learn how to cook with healthy food on a budget. And programs such as Food for Kids helps put 3,500 healthy snacks a week into the mouths of school kids in the county.

Health For Life is also involved with eight physical activity projects: after-school recreation programs, Active Girls, Communities in Action, the Haliburton Highlands Cycling Coalition, the Minden Sneaker Day committee, WinterActive, the Head Lake Trail committee, and the Minden Riverwalk committee.



Matt James/TIMES

Haliburton Health For Life steering committee member and Diabetes Network member Dott Heath picks up her door prize at the partner recognition and appreciation luncheon on November 6 at the Minden community centre.

Within each of these 16 projects are the 110 partnerships and volunteers who make Health For Life so successful. Without its partners, said Shikaze, Health For Life would not succeed.

Highlights of 2008 include the installation of bike racks in Minden and Haliburton, which give cyclists a place to safely lock their bikes, and the success of Shifting Gears: A Celebration of Cycling and Minden's Sneaker Day, which have helped raise awareness of inexpensive ways to stay healthy.

The completion of the cycling master plan has already seen the addition of wider shoulders on some sections of highways, making road cycling safer.

Shikaze also mentioned that the Walk, Bike and Be Active maps for Minden and Haliburton have helped people park their cars and get moving.

"We're fortunate to have such dedicated people to work with in 2008," said Shikaze.

Health For Life's success is also thanks to the province, local municipalities, and the Haliburton County Development Corporation.

"They've played an important role in helping activities over the years," said Shikaze.

To continue its success, Health For Life will enter a planning cycle for the next four to five years. For more information about Health For Life and their numerous projects call the Health Unit at 457-1391.

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Landscape lures painters to the Highlands

by CHAD INGRAM
Times Staff

Attendees of a lecture last week were taken on an existential exploration of the landscape of Haliburton County, how it has affected the many artists who have painted here through the decades and how their art, in turn, has affected the landscape.

About 40 area residents made it to the Minden Hills council chambers on November 3 to hear John Wadland, a Canadian studies expert and author from Trent University, give his lecture, *Space, Place and Landscape: 100 Years of Artists in the Haliburton Highlands*.

Wadland's lecture was the first in the Food for Thought; Those Others Lectures series being presented by the U-Links Centre for Community Research throughout the fall.

Wadland began his talk by explaining that he had first come to Haliburton in 1972 as a PhD student working on his thesis.

"I was wanted to be an artist, but never could be," he told the crowd. "So this is what I've chosen to do instead... talk about other people's art."

Wadland was commissioned in 2002 to do research for a project on the works of famous Canadian artist Tom Thompson, who had been fascinated by, and painted mostly in, Algonquin Park.

"I started wondering how everybody forgot that this [landscape] was in Haliburton," he said. "The only thing that separates it is this artificial boundary."

While Wadland referred to Ethel Curry as "probably the only one who lived here, was born here and was from here," he said a host



André Lapine wasn't the only painter who fell in love with the Highlands landscape. As Trent University professor John Wadland explored in the first Food For Thought lecture, more than 60 painters came here for inspiration.

of artists from Toronto and other areas of the country came to Haliburton to paint its landscape between 1860 and 1960.

"Why did they come to this particular place for any reason at all?" he asked. "Who did they meet? What were they looking for?"

Wadland has been collecting names and studying the work of artists who painted in the area between 1860 and 1960. He's amassed a list of more than 60 names and,

passing lists into the crowd, asked attendees to help him if they knew anything about any of the artists.

His research led Wadland to the work of an artist by the name of Thomas Hepburn Robinson, who had painted Gull Lake from Miner's Bay and Mountain Lake as early as the 1860s.

While these works are kept in a Toronto gallery, they are rumoured to be coming for a showing in Haliburton and Wadland

urged the crowd to take advantage of this.

"Look at them, because they're absolutely fascinating," he said.

Wadland said that artworks depicting Haliburton's landscape are part of the Beaverbrook Collection in New Brunswick and that others hang in the University of Alberta.

"We have to be critical about landscape," he said, explaining his theory that the popularity of oil and watercolour paintings depicting Central Ontario's clear lakes and majestic pine forests played a part in people's desire to come here, and ultimately, in the creation of cottage country.

"The cottage is essentially a post-Second World War phenomenon," Wadland said, referring to 1925 painting he'd seen of Lake Kashagawigamog, its shorelines devoid of any manmade structures.

"We've changed the landscape here in many ways," he said, pointing out the Haliburton landscape painted by contemporary artists is drastically different from the Haliburton landscape painted by artists like Robinson. "Cottage country has grown up around us here."

The northern Canadian wilderness made famous by the Group of Seven no longer even exists, really, Wadland said.

"The land the Group painted has been appropriated," he said, adding that the same thing has happened in Haliburton County.

"This is what landscape and power is all about."

Food for Thought lectures will be held in Minden Hills council chambers every Monday night at 7 p.m. in upcoming weeks.

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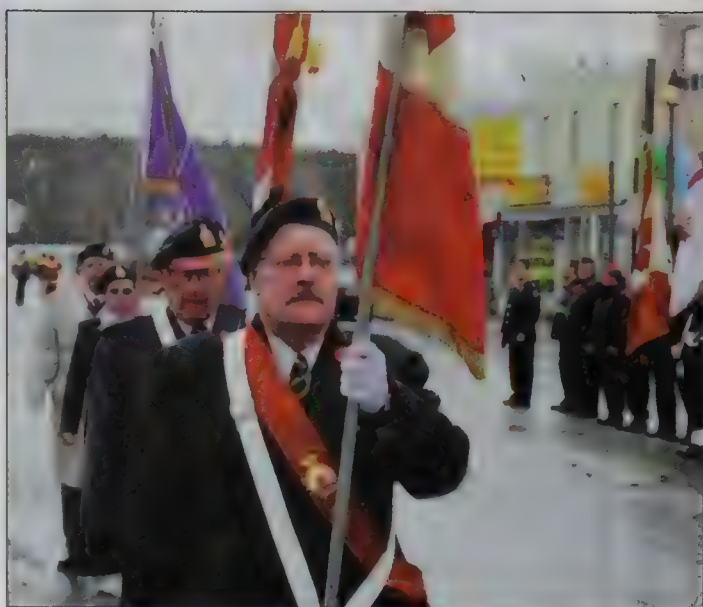
The Haliburton Highlands Pipes and Drums Band led Minden Legion members in a parade to the village's cenotaph for a Remembrance Day ceremony on November 9.

Remembering our soldiers

Photos by Chad Ingram



A veteran with the Minden Legion pays his respects.



Minden's Brownies and Girl Guides observe the ceremony.

Left, members of the Minden Legion parade down Main Street on November 9.



Left, Veteran Clifford Green recites *In Flanders Fields* as Legion member Tim Sharp looks on.



A Boy Scout pays his respects after laying a wreath before Minden's cenotaph.

Assault charges laid after driving dispute

Haliburton Highlands OPP has charged two men in connection with an assault complaint in the township of Dysart et al last week.

The investigation revealed that on Tuesday, November 4, in the early evening hours two vehicles were traveling west-bound on Highway 118 west of Haliburton. The drivers of the vehicles both became annoyed with the driving habits of the other. The dispute eventually came to a head when one of the drivers pulled into a private driveway and was followed by the other driver.

One of the drivers then exited his vehicle and began to assault the other driver. The police were then called and attended the scene. One of the drivers was taken to the Haliburton hospital suffering from non-life-threatening injuries.

A 42-year-old man from Dysart et al was charged with assault causing bodily harm and dangerous driving.

Also charged with dangerous driving is another 42-year-old man from the township of Dysart et al.

Keep 911 number visible

Officers from the Haliburton Highlands OPP detachment would like to remind the public of the need to have your 911 number in a clearly visible area. In the past few weeks officers responding to calls for service on several occasions have had difficulty locating 911 numbers.

It is important to make sure your 911 number is visible so emergency workers

can locate your address should an emergency occur. Delays in locating an address could have serious consequences in emergency situations.

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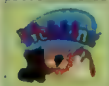
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First Draw winners from left, Rod Mabley, skip, Ruth Mabley, lead; Janet Kidon, vice and Ray Kidon, second.

Inaugural house cam mixed spiel a super success

by DON PFLUG
Special to the Times

During the summer, over-ice cameras and video screens were installed in the Minden Curling Club to give spectators a bird's eye view of the curling rings at the far end of the ice.

The funding for this was kicked off by a healthy donation by Jean and Charlie Hadley, and then the House Cam Mixed Spiel was conceived to reduce the remainder of the debt.

As it turned out, the spiel was such a great success that the debt was more than eliminated.

Sixteen alternating mixed teams played 16 games and the competition was keen, some games being decided on the last few rocks.

After the first games in each draw, the teams sat down to a wonderful lunch prepared by Beni Kearns, assisted by servers, Donna Appleby and Jessie Pflug.

At the end of the day, Glen Bonham, our official scorekeeper announced the winning teams. The first draw winning teams were: first place – Rod Mabley, skip, Janet Kidon, vice, Ray Kidon, second and Ruth Mabley, lead; second place – Bruce Fisher, skip, Melanie Vigrass, vice, Doug Brown, second and Karen Colis, lead; third place

– Jim McGregor, skip, Marie Lennard, vice, Fred Preston, second and Bob Heggart, lead.

The second draw winning teams were: first place – Steve Robson, skip, Audrey Robson, vice, George Westwood, second and Carol Westwood, lead; second place – Jack Taylor, skip, Winn Taylor, Vice, Jim Gillanders, second and Marion Gillanders, lead; third place – Jim Burrows, skip, Marilyn Burrows, vice, Gord McLean, second and Dee McLean, lead. Both first place teams shared the honours of winning the overall bonspiel as they both had the exact same number of points. Seventy-two prime beef New York steaks were the prizes.

The raffle prize of a prime rib roast dinner for six at Stouffer Mill Bed and Breakfast was won by Marion Gillanders.

Don Pflug, convenor, thanked all the curlers for participating in this event and everyone who helped to make it such a huge success. We are looking forward to making this an annual event.

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High Single: Estella Burch 175

High Triple: Estella Burch 448

High Single w/hdcp: Estella Burch 243

High Triple w/hdcp: Ann Oakley 676

Monday Night Mixed Monday, November 3 Men

High Average: Rick West 209

High Single: Doug Reinwald 287

High Triple: Doug Reinwald 713

High Single w/hdcp: Ted Harrison 316

High Triple w/hdcp: Doug Reinwald 782

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High Average: Janine Duckworth 153

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Tuesday afternoon, November 4

Men

High avg: Ken Thompson 213
 High single: Ken Thompson 238
 High single w/hdcp: Emile Duchene 287
 High triple: Ken Thompson 677
 High triple w/hdcp: Emile Duchene 729

Ladies

High avg: Lillian Mattsson 185
 High single: Barb Milligan 184
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Wednesday afternoon, November 5

Men

High avg.: Ken Thompson & Claude Cote 205

High single: Ken Thompson 281
 High single w/hdcp: Claude Cote 291
 High triple: Ken Thompson 658
 High triple w/hdcp: Claude Cote 693

Ladies

High Avg. Carol Snow 170
 High single: Carol Snow 261
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 High triple: Carol Snow 522
 High triple w/hdcp: Carol Snow 757

Thursday afternoon, November 6

Men

High avg: Ken Thompson 205
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Mending benches

John Switzer, left, Eddy Voicey and William Howden, students in Archie Stouffer Elementary School's active living program, were busy repairing a picnic table last week. The picnic table, which was donated to the school by a young offender who had to build it an act of community service, was recently vandalized.

Make Minden Hockeyville

from page 1

their Minden hockey stories, along with photos, to the Hockeyville website at www.cbc.ca/sports/hockey/hockeyville by the December 6 deadline. "No story is too short or too unimportant," said Rick Cox. "We need all the stories and pictures we can get."

"It think if there's something, anything that's been a constant is this community through the decades, it's our love of hockey," Cox said. "We've got generations of players — grandparents, parents and children — all playing at the arena this year."

Cox said it's important for anyone who's "played hockey, watched hockey and enjoyed hockey in Minden and has a story about it" to participate.

The competition is open to all Canadian communities. Cox said in the first round communities nominate themselves and that five communities are then selected by Kraft and CBC as finalists. These communities will then be visited by a panel of judges and the winning community will become this year's Hockeyville.

Cox said the \$100,000 prize would go upgrading the rink with better ice, seating and lighting. "It's about improvement to the rink itself," he said.

Cox said anyone with non-digital photographs can bring them to the Minden Hills municipal office to be scanned at that anyone requiring more information about the contest can contact him at 286-1260, ext. 220. Past Hockeyville winners have included Roberval, Que., North Bay, Ont. and Salmon River, N.S.

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Photo by Irene Heaven



Hike Haliburton photo contest open for voting

The Haliburton Highlands Trails and Tours Network is excited to announce that the Hike Haliburton Photo Contest is officially open for voting! Check out the slide show on their website at www.trailsandtours.com, note the entry codes of your favourite photos (example 1BH, 3BAP, 10BP, 4 BD, etc) and let them know what photos get your vote by:

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• Voting will close November 14, 2008, so get your votes in!

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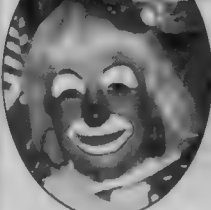
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Many gather at the cenotaph for Remembrance Day service

Sunday morning found a large group of our residents including many children gathered at the Kinmount cenotaph to participate in the Royal Canadian Legion Branch 441 Kinmount's Remembrance Day service. From the arrival of the colour party forming a Guard of Honour to the singing of our national anthem and the laying of wreaths by dignitaries, community organizations, businesses and families it was a memorable event reminding once again how fortunate we are to live here in Canada with all its natural beauty and freedoms.

Here is a note of appreciation from poppy chairperson Eileen Sienko. "A special thank you to all the businesses, residents, children, churches, volunteers, colour party, canvassers and Legion members for their dedication in making our Remembrance Day services in Burnt River, Kinmount, Gelert and Gooderham so meaningful. My personal thanks to you all. At the going down of the sun and in the morning we will remember them. Yours in comradeship - Eileen Sienko."

The Kinmount & Area Artisans Guild will hold its annual Christmas Bazaar Saturday, November 15 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Kinmount Community Centre at Cty. Rd. 121 and 45 West. A wide variety of local art and handcrafts will be on sale by guild members for your gift giving or personal enjoyment. Chefs Donna and Nancy will be serving up two homemade soups and the bake sale should satisfy your sweet tooth looking for dessert and lunch box items. Vivian Hetherington's musical choices always add a welcome seasonal flavour to this event. Be sure to try your luck at winning one of the major draw prizes. Everyone is most welcome and please drop by the refreshment counter to say hello.

Once again the Kinmount & District Lions Club is selling delicious Christmas cakes and other holiday favourites many already packaged for gift giving. Items are available now at the Kinmount Pharmacy, Gateway Variety, through



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Now for the scoring news with your usual reminder to keep busy and well. They go together.

November 4 contract bridge at Club 35: Margo Davidson reports that Sue Pethick topped the high scoring at 5260 followed by Diana Spicer 4920, Bruce Armstrong 4630 and Muriel McIntosh 4570. June Branning won the lucky draw and Pearl Foster the Shiny Penny.

November 4 Stanhope Firehall Mixed Seniors Shuffleboard: The top team members were Diane Platt and Flo Roussel with 299 points then Colleen Davison and Eleanor Lymer second at 272. Third place was captured by Ken Boldt and Grace Berardi at 266 with the afternoon's low claimed by Alf Briscoe and Peggy Beattie at 158.

November 4 euchre at Lochlin: High score holders were Pearl Cowen and Ralph Young while Don Hicks and Gala Newell recorded the evening's lows. Gala also won the special prize while Lorna Hicks took lone hand honours.

November 4 bid euchre at Minden Legion: For the gents Don Burch was first at 296, Tom Grix second at 255 and Karen Chapman third at 239. Pink power was with Verna McDonald at 275 then Margaret Bull 267 and Isobel Cherwenka 261. Ida Young, Tom Grix, Karen Chapman and Don Burch [2] had moonshots with Tom Grix, Margaret Bull, Kevin Maloney and Sharron Atkinson holding the hidden scores.

November 5 bid euchre at Stanhope: Garth Windsor led the men's results with Pat Scadden next and Dwayne Lloyd third. First for the la-

dies was Pat Roussel followed by Willie Cox and Betty Jochim. Hidden scores were discovered by Dwayne Lloyd and Jack Cox.

November 5 duplicate bridge at Parklane, Haliburton: North/South leaders were Bill Sandford and Reet Murray at 62% then Stella McMillan partnered with Ross Davies at 51%. Over in East/West top marks went to Dorothy and Tom Howat at 61% with Jan Heaven and Joan Davies next at 58%.

November 6 euchre at Minden Legion: Lone hand holders were Hazel Dorman and Jesse Barlow with Margaret Fletcher and Bob Pollard recording the high scores. The evening's lows went to Helen Luffman and John Mallon while Ron Morrison, John Mallon [2], Helen Luffman and our reporter May Bradbury took home the other prizes.

November 7 bid euchre at Club 35: A warm welcome back awaited Mary and Tom Pearson on their arrival. Barb Gamble and Fred Gregory had moonshots along with our reporter Jean Dutka who also held the hidden score. Leading the pinks at 252 was Helen Windsor with Barbara Gamble next at 241 and Verna McDonald 217 third. For the white cards Chris Clarke's 261 earned him top spot with Tom Pearson 258 second and Norm Mark 234 third.

November 7 duplicate bridge at Echo Hills, Haliburton: Winning in North/South were Harold Cox and Joan Galley at 60% followed closely by Reet Murray and Bill Sandford at 59% then Muriel McIntosh partnered with Ross Davies 54%. For East/West the honours went to Bruce Armstrong and Howie Ryan at 65% then Judy Neimann teamed with Norma Crewson next at 54% and the duo of Peter O'Connor and Rob Eaton third at 50%.

November 7 euchre at Staanworth Court, Minden: Winning for high hands was Beth Titus who also claimed the special draw. Sherin Brown took the prize for most lone hands and our reporter June Branning had the evening's low. June reminds that everyone is welcome

to come out for an enjoyable evening of cards starting at 7 p.m. whatever their level of euchre expertise - beginner to advanced.

November 8 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: At 311 Theresa Deak led the white cards with our reporter Albert Foster 271 second, Dorothy McElwain 256 third and Archie Ross 243 fourth. Topping the pinks was Edith Burch 294 followed by Elli Langpohl 290, Sherin Brown 278 and Pat Roussel 274. Pat also took a moonshot along with Tom Grix, Emily Harvie, Marcel Roussel, Albert Foster and Dorothy McElwain.

November 10 euchre at St. Paul's Friendship Club, Minden: Lone hand honours went to Marion Stickwood and Joyce Ritchie while Valerie Clark and Jeanne Keliele recorded the high scores. The low score for the afternoon was claimed by Barbara Braithwaite with Valerie Clark and Marion Stickwood taking home the special prizes. Thanks to Tim Sharpe for his update.

November 10 Kinmount Seniors bid euchre at Kinmount Legion: Pauline Franzen reports that husband Frank led the high scores with 300 points then Emily Harvie 292 and Phyllis Windsor 253. Vic Ballik won the draw while Jesse Barlow, Frank Franzen, Marion Leslie, Phyllis Windsor, Marjorie Paradis and Mildred St. Thomas took the moonshots.

November 10 euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden: A good turnout was on hand with Pat Bailey winning for high hands, Sherin Brown for lone hands, Jesse Barlow for low hands and Albert Foster for the special prize. Thanks to Don Jemmett for his report.

November 10 euchre at Club 35: Ivan Kernohan took the prize for most lone hands while Robert McIvor won the bologna. High score holders were Ann McIvor and Cliff Davison (on a cut of the cards) with Kathy Kernohan and Jean Dutka recording the evening's lows.

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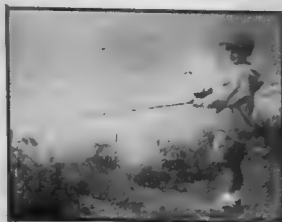
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Local teachers target social issues through award-winning play

Helping elementary students and teachers understand and cope with social issues such as child and family poverty is a key goal of a tour of the award-winning play *Danny, King of the Basement*, sponsored by the Elementary Teachers' Federation of Ontario.

ETFO's Trillium Lakelands Elementary Teachers' Local is sponsoring the local performance of the play at Archie Stouffer Elementary School in Minden on Friday, November 14 at 9:15 a.m.

Danny, King of the Basement, tells the story of a young boy whose spirit and imagination triumph over the challenges of homelessness and life in a single-parent family. "The play demonstrates that while teachers cannot control the make-up of their student population, they can make a significant impact on the lives and learning of their students," says local president Steve Colliver.

The play will be presented in 70 host elementary schools in 16 school districts across Ontario and will be viewed by students from over 180 schools. The 10-week tour, funded by the Ontario Ministry of Education, is being undertaken in partnership with Roseneath Theatre, whose high quality work is seen and known across the country and around the world.

"Last year, the Ministry asked ETFO to lead an initiative that would focus on professional development for our members and support students and schools facing challenging socio-economic circumstances," said Colliver. "The *Danny* play is a major component of this initiative, which our federation has named The ETFO Education and Poverty

Project."

ETFO has also developed a professional development workshop entitled 'Beyond the Breakfast Program' that will be offered to members in the 16 school districts that will host a *Danny* performance. Objectives of the workshop are to help educators learn more about the impact of poverty on student learning and how they can make a difference in their own school setting.

One school in each of the 16 school districts has been selected to look more deeply into society's attitudes and beliefs about people living in poverty and the impact of poverty on education and student learning. These 'Danny Schools' were nominated and selected in consultation with the Ministry of Education, the local ETFO president, and the director of education. Each class in Danny Schools will delve into issues in the play through drama workshops offered by the actors.

NOTICES & TENDERS FOR:



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Feast like a king at Legion's buffet brunch

by WALTER SCHRETTER
Minden Legion Branch 636

Minden area residents will be able to feast like a king on Sunday, November 16 when the Royal Canadian Legion Minden Branch 636 hosts its annual holiday buffet brunch.

The public is invited to this event and urged to savour over a lavish menu of egg dishes, sausages, bacon, shrimp, salmon molds, salads, barbecued pulled pork, salmon cakes, pancakes, perogies, home fries, cheeses, fruit, desserts, juices, tea and coffee.

Tickets are now on sale at the Legion Hall. If purchased in advance they are \$12.50 for adults; they're \$15 at the door. Children younger than seven will be charged \$7. Brunch begins at 10 a.m. and will last until 1 p.m. at the Legion Hall, Hwy 35 North at the intersection of County Road 21.

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- November 12: Hospice Kawartha Lakes annual Memorial Service - Join us as we remember the lives of our loved ones. The service is to be held at St. Mary's Church (40 Russell Street E.) in Lindsay, from 7-8 p.m. Light refreshments to follow. Please RSVP 324-2811 ex 4 ask for Julie.
- November 12: Meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group - will be held in the Common Room of the Minden Hills Cultural Centre. Doors open at 6 p.m. (please enter by rear door). Elections for 2009 Executive at 6:30 p.m. The meeting starting at 7 p.m. will be 'Bring an Ancestor', guests and members are invited to bring an artifact, memento, photograph, questions, whatever and present it to the group for 5-10 minutes. This is always one of the most popular meetings of the year. Everyone welcome - no charge. Refreshments available. Bring and win raffle. For more information contact Gail Leach-Wunker at 286-2225.
- November 13: Maintaining Brain Health and Wellness, Peterborough Public Library, 345 Aylmer St. North - From 6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m. These sessions are free! Light refreshments will be served! Please call Sarah at Alzheimer Society office to register and reserve a spot as seating is limited (705) 748-5131 or sarah@alzheimersptbo.com.
- November 13: OEYC Play and Learn visits the Lloyd Watson Community Centre in Wilberforce from 9:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. - Families with children from 0-6 years join us for activities, crafts, music circles, guest speakers, nutritional snack and more! We are always looking for new friends to join us, so if you know someone new to the community who has not been out before please tell them about us or bring them with you! For more information phone Julie at 286-1770 or leave a message at 457-2989.
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- November 14: Kawartha Lakes Festival of Trees Presents - College Community Choir Music Director, Melissa Stephens at 6:45 p.m. In the Bobcaygeon Lawn Bowling Club, 72 Dunn St. Bobcaygeon.
- November 14: Minden Bible Church 1st Movie Night featuring 'Left Behind' - based on New York Times best selling book. Join us at 7 p.m. Free admission, everyone is welcome.
- November 14: Christmas Luncheon and White Elephant Bake Sale at the Minden United Church - starting at 11:30 a.m. Admission, Adults \$5, Preschool Children are FREE.
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- November 15: Open Stage at Haliburton Highlands Museum at 8:00 p.m. - Admission is \$3. Musicians and listeners alike are invited, encouraged and welcome to come and play or listen to some of the best music in the Highlands. Come for the zucchini loaf and stay for the music.
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- November 19: Taking Care of Mom! At the Minden OEYC from 10 - 11:30 a.m. Moms with small children are often so busy taking care of everyone else that they forget themselves. Come and join the Women's Health Care Centre for a relaxing morning of tips and ideas of how to take care of you while your making your own aromatherapy bath salts. Please register at the centre or phone 286-1770.
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- November 21: 'The Laws' in Concert with guests Albert Saxby and April Gates at the Haliburton Highlands Museum. \$15 advance Haliburton - York Street Internet Cafe, Minden - Golden Stationers. \$20 at the door. The Laws are a husband and wife team from Southern Ontario that have an Austin City, 'Edmonton Sun'.
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- November 22: The Coats for Kids Program - The coats will be available free of charge to anyone simply going to the Minden and Haliburton Ontario Provincial Police Station from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information you can call Keith Burns 754-1928, Dick Schell 286-1647, Perry Morrison 754-2464 or Paul Esple 457-3343.
- November 28: Christmas Music Night at The Galway Hall at 7:30 p.m. - Sponsored by the K.C.P.E.D.
- November 28: Christmas Luncheon at Our Lady of Fatima Church, Main St. Minden - from 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Featuring our fabulous homemade soup, sandwiches, goodies, homemade baking (featuring tortiere pies), 50/50 draw, doorprizes and raffle. Admission \$5, preschoolers free. Snow date November 29, same time.

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Please submit events by the Thursday prior to the requested publication date. NOTE: This calendar is not a comprehensive listing of all events taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in the Echo for more information on events in the Highlands. For Ongoing Events please see the Weekender

Lab agrees to pick up monthly water samples



DORSET NEWS

Melissa Alfano

705-766-0076

melalfano@hotmail.com

Joanne Robinson and Bill Johnson discovered that they were both sending their water samples to the same lab in Orillia and were each driving their samples to drop-off depots (Joanne to Hillside and Bill to Baysville). They contacted the lab which has agreed to a pickup in Dorset on the third Wednesday of every month.

Some time ago (this is a repeat) Joanne and Bill asked that I put a notice in the news to let others know that this service is now available in Dorset. If anyone is interested, please contact the Central Ontario Analytical Laboratory in Orillia at 705-326-8285 or www.coalab.ca to get set up. You may drop your samples at Johnson's before 10 a.m. the third Wednesday of the month. You can also contact Joanne at 766-2415 or Bill at 766-2400 for more information.

Discover the beading technique called "branching" at the next Dorset Recreation Centre bead workshop on Wednesday, November 19 starting at 7 p.m. Please call to register to ensure the class is a go! For more information, call 766-9968.

Moms and tots playgroup meets at the Dorset Recreation Centre on Fridays from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. All newborns, infants, toddlers and preschool aged children and

their caregivers are welcome to the free weekly program. What a great opportunity for some fun, socializing, toys, books and crafts. For more information, please call Cheryl at 766-0874.

The next Dorset Book Club meeting is on Wednesday, December 3 and the book to be discussed is a "modern-day classic" of your choice. For more information, call the Dorset Branch at 766-9969.

District 11 of the Haliburton Muskoka Semi-Annual Seniors Games is hosting a Curling Mixed Bonspiel on Wednesday, December 17 starting at 8:30 a.m. This event is open to all seniors 55 or older as of December 31. It will take place at the Haliburton Curling Club and each team must have two ladies and two men. For more information, please call Robert McIvor at 754-9747.

Special wishes for the week of November 9 to 15 go out to Patricia Thompson, Anna Ross, Alexa Aubin, Janice Jones and Happy 14th to Devon MacKay. Celebrate and have fun on your special day!

To submit an item of interest or a birthday wish, please email me at melalfano@hotmail.com or give me a call at 705-766-0076.

Women's Institute grows in number last month

MINDEN W.I.

- President, Pam Rolfe

The October meeting of the Minden Women's Institute was held at the home of Dawn Boland on the 15th. There were 12 members, one new member and one guest present. The roll call was "family favourite recipe" and there were some old favourites and some new delectable recipes read.

The secretary, treasurer and card convener gave their reports for the month. The secretary and president will be attending the annual convention to be held at Sandford on the 17th. An invitation to the annual district fun day, to be hosted by the Norland branch on the 23rd., was read by the president. Three members were able to attend and enjoyed a lovely lunch and partook in some interesting games.

Rita was the convenor for the month on citizenship, culture and community and gave a very interesting talk about all the help that can be obtained, through Community Care for seniors, those recovering from surgery,

new mothers and anybody in the community who is in need of help in their daily life. Many questions were fielded and I think the members learned quite a bit about this organization.

We held a home-made and home-grown auction of items donated by the members, some could be Christmas gifts and there was a wide selection of jams and pickles and also baked goods. The proceeds of this auction will be used for our annual donations in the local community.

Rita and Charlotte served a delicious lunch along with tea and coffee which was enjoyed by all present.

The next meeting will be held on November 19 at the home of Clara Tomkinson at 1:30 p.m. For information call Clara at 286-3992, Mary at 286-1158 or Pam at 754-2564 or 754-1656. Anybody interested is welcome.

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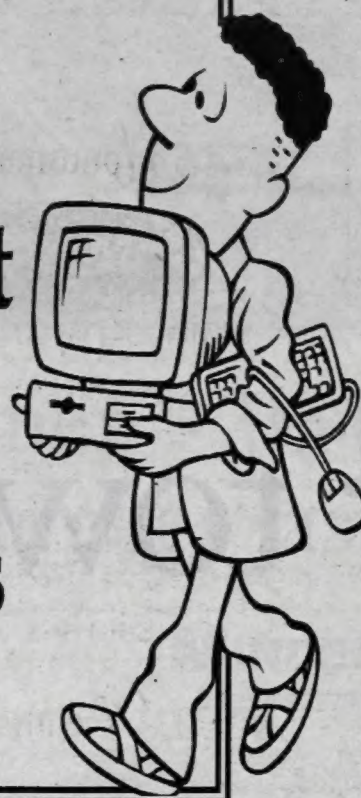
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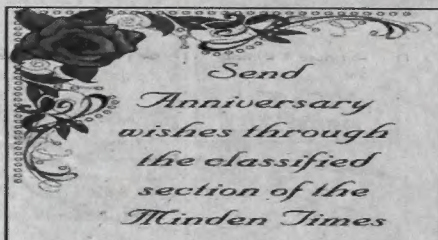
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Alberta Switzer

(Formerly of Gooderham, Ontario)

Peacefully at Haliburton Hospital on Wednesday afternoon, November 5, 2008 in her 99th year. Beloved wife of the late Wilbert Switzer. Loving mother of Hazel of Minden, Ruby of Oshawa, Effie (Mrs. William MacPherson) of Gooderham and Heather of Mississauga. Fondly remembered by her grandchildren, her great grandchildren and her great great grandchildren. Predeceased by her sisters Celia, Mary, Hannah and her brothers Leonard & Alex. Also lovingly remembered by many nieces and nephews.

Visitation & Funeral Service

Friends may call at the **HALIBURTON COMMUNITY FUNERAL HOME** 13523 Hwy. #118, Haliburton, Ontario (705)457-9209 on Saturday afternoon, November 8, 2008 from 12 o'clock (Noon) until time of Funeral Service in the Chapel at 2 o'clock. Interment Glamorgan Cemetery, Gooderham. As expressions of sympathy donations to the Haliburton Hospital Auxiliary would be appreciated by the family.

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David Marles

(Resident of Coboconk, Ontario)

At the Community Nursing Home in Port Hope on Thursday afternoon, November 6, 2008 in his 69th year. Beloved companion of Ruth Black of Coboconk and the late Evelyn Legere (1989). Loving father of Evelyn (Doug) of Toronto, Craig of Calgary, Susan (Joe) of Coboconk and Laurie (Greg) of Hamilton. Fondly remembered by his grandchildren Tara, Ken, Renee (Raffi), Andrew and his great grandchildren Mya & Makenna. Dear brother of Ada, Catherine, Denna and Louis. Predeceased by his brothers Russell, Walter and sisters Anne & Sheila.

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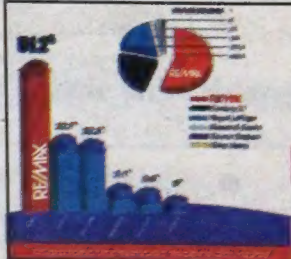
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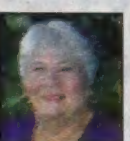
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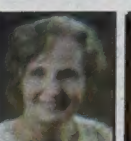
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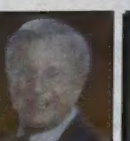
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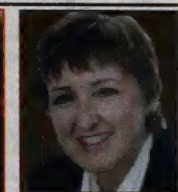
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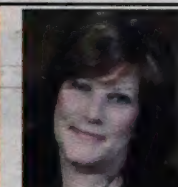
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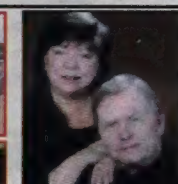
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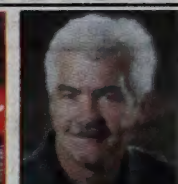


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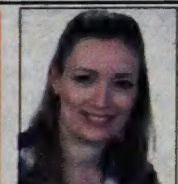


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- November 14: Minden Bible Church 1st Move Night featuring 'Left Behind'**
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- November 14: Christmas Luncheon & White Elephant Bake Sale at the Minden United Church**
starting at 11:30 a.m. Admission: Adults: \$5, Preschool Children are FREE.